



Social Security Scotland
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Disability assistance for children who are terminally ill





Child Disability Payment is money to help care for a child under 16 with a terminal illness.



Child Disability Payment is made up of 2 parts:

- Care.
- Mobility.

The Mobility part is only available to children aged 3 and over.

As part of your application for Child Disability Payment, you'll be asked for some details about you and the child. We'll only ask you for the information we need to decide about the child's application.



Your child's doctor or healthcare practitioner should also complete the Benefits Assessments under Special Rules in Scotland (BASRiS) form and send it to us. We can ask for this from the healthcare provider if you want us to.

A BASRiS form is used by doctors and nurses to let us know that someone is terminally ill. This form means we can fast-track an application for Child Disability Payment.



If you have already completed a DS1500 or SR1 form, we will accept that.



If you would like to talk through your application with someone, you can speak to one of our specially-trained Client Advisors by calling us free on **0800 182 2222**.



Once an application is successfully completed:

- They will automatically get the highest award for Care.
- They will automatically get the highest rate for Mobility if the child is 3 years old or over.
- Their award will be ongoing without needing to be reviewed.
- They will receive Child Disability Payment no matter how long the child has been ill.
- Their payment will be calculated from the date we receive the application or the date the terminal illness was diagnosed, whichever is earliest.



Your application will be fast-tracked and dealt with by our specially trained staff. We will send a letter with our decision.



You can request a second opinion if you disagree with the clinical opinion that a child is not terminally ill. Find out more about the Charter of Patients' Rights and Responsibilities by going to mygov.scot and searching for "patients' rights."



You can find out more and apply online at **mygov.scot/benefits**. You can apply in person, over the phone or ask for a paper application form by calling Social Security Scotland free on **0800 182 2222**.



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